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AN ORDINANCE

BY COUNCILMEMBER FELICIA A. MOORE TO

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORING THE MAYOR OR HIS DESIGNEE NOT TO PENALIZE TAXPAYERS FOR LATE PAYMENT OF THEIR SANITARY SERVICE FEE FOR PAYMENTS RECEIVED ON OR BEFORE OCTOBER 15, 2001; TO REPEAL CONFLICTING ORDINANCES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

WHEREAS, the City of Atlanta is charged with the responsibility of the removal of garbage and other solid waste from single-family residential units; and

WHEREAS, a Sanitary Service fee is assessed against the property owners; and

WHEREAS, this fee is based on a base fee plus an additional per frontage foot amount; and

WHEREAS, for many years Fulton County has been collecting this fee in conjunction with the City's ad valorem taxes; and

WHEREAS, effective last year, the City has begun its own billing and collection process; and

WHEREAS, payment is due in full by September 15, 2001; and

WHEREAS, this will cause some hardship on the low income and elderly.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ATLANTA, GEORGIA as follows:

<u>SECTION 1</u>: That the Mayor or his designee is authorized not to penalize taxpayers for late payment of their 2001 Sanitary Service Fee payments received on or before October 15, 2001. This will only apply to bills with a due date of September 15, 2001.

SECTION 2: All ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

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